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**REPLY/AMENDMENT
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Attorney Docket No. 826.1553
 Application Number 09/348,165
 Filing Date July 7, 1999
 First Named Inventor Akira NAKAGAWA
 Group Art Unit 2613

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AMOUNT ENCLOSED

930.00

Examiner Name

Allen C. WONG

FEE CALCULATION (fees effective 01/01/03)

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CLAIMS AS AMENDED	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Number Extra	Rate	Calculations
TOTAL CLAIMS	14	- 20 =	0	X \$ 18.00 =	\$ 0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	8	- 9 =	0	X \$ 84.00 =	0.00

Since an Official Action set an original due date of November 16, 2002, petition is hereby made for an extension to cover the date this reply is filed for which the requisite fee is enclosed (1 month (\$110); 2 months (\$410); 3 months (\$930); 4 months (\$1,450); 5 months (\$1,970)):

930.00

If Notice of Appeal is enclosed, add (\$320)

If Statutory Disclaimer under Rule 20(d) is enclosed, add fee (\$110)

Total of above Calculations =

\$ 930.00

Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (37 CFR 1.9, 1.27 & 1.28)

TOTAL FEES DUE =

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- ☐ No payment is enclosed and no charges to the Deposit Account are authorized at this time (unless specifically required to obtain a filing date).

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Deposit Account Name

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- ☒ The Commissioner is also authorized to credit any overpayments or charge any additional fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 CFR 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application, including any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 USC § 120 (e.g., continuations/divisionals/CIPs under 37 CFR 1.53(b) and/or continuations/divisionals/CPAs under 37 CFR 1.53(d)) to maintain pendency hereof or of any such related application.

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Akira NAKAGAWA, et al.

Serial No. 09/348,165

Group Art Unit: 2613

Confirmation No. 4844

Filed: July 7, 1999

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For: MOTION VECTOR ENCODING DEVICE AND DECODING DEVICE

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AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed August 16, 2002, and having a period for response set to expire on November 16, 2002. A Petition for a three-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to February 16, 2003. February 17, 2003, was a holiday and the USPTO was closed February 18, 2003. Therefore, this Amendment is timely filed on February 19, 2003.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please REPLACE the paragraph beginning at page 1, line 18, with the following paragraph:

As a high efficiency coding method for moving image data, an interframe predictive coding is known. This coding method takes advantage of the nature that the degree of correlation of moving image data is high in a time direction. Namely, the degree of similarity between frame data of moving image data at certain timing and that at the next timing is normally high in many cases. Therefore, the interframe predictive coding utilizes this nature. For example, in a data transmission system using the interframe predictive coding, a transmitting device generates motion vector data which represents a motion from an image in a preceding frame to an image in a target frame, and difference data (predictive error) between a predicted image in the target frame, which is generated from the image in the preceding frame by using

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